



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Commissioner for Patents  
United States Patent and Trademark Office  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
[www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov)

GERALD R. BLACK  
30590 SOUTHFIELD ROAD, SUITE 160  
SOUTHFIELD, MI 48076

**COPY MAILED**

**JAN 25 2005**

**OFFICE OF PETITIONS**

In re Application of  
Gerald R. Black  
Application No. 09/865,756  
Filed: May 25, 2001  
Attorney Docket No.

:  
:  
:  
:  
:

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed December 27, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the non-final Office action mailed May 18, 2004, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on August 19, 2004.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Irvin Dingle at (571) 272-3210.

The matter is being forwarded to Technology Center AU 2621 for further processing.

Irvin Dingle  
Petitions Examiner  
Office of Petitions  
Office of the Deputy Commissioner  
for Patent Examination Policy